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SUBJECT: J.I. CASE AGRICULTURAL TRACTOR PROPOSAL

1. DURING JUNE TRADE MISSION, BRONEC OF J.I. CASE
TALKED TO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE DEPUTY MINISTER HUCKO
AND V. GERUS OF MINISTRY OF METALLURGY AND ENGINEERING
CONCERNING HIGH-HORSEPOWER AGRICULTURAL TRACTORS
POSSIBLY TO BE BUILT UNDER CASE LICENSE, AS WELL AS
THE POSSIBILITY OF IMPORTING CZECH CASTINGS FOR USE BY
CASE IN FRANCE AND USA. CASE IS READY TO NEGOTIATE
DETAILS AND HAS WRITTEN HUCKO AND FERUS TO THAT EFFECT.
BRONEC HAS ALSO WRITTEN J. MERCL OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
TRADE CONCERNING THEIR INTEREST.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: COULD EMBASSY CONTACT FERUS AND
ADVISE MINISTRY THAT BRONEC IS PREPARED TO RETURN TO
CZECHOSLOVAKIA MID OCTOBER TO NARROW SCOPE OF POSSIBLE
INTEREST AND REACH PRELIMINARY AGREEMENTS. RUSH

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